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Member Cassie Roberts Re: Deferral for CERCLA NPL listing of Yerington Mine

Deputy Administrator

Vacant

Dear Alexis:

Secretary of Record Shelley Cunningham

We write this letter in our capacity as Lead Administrative Trustee of the Yerington Mine Natural Resource Trustee Council.

Pursuant to CERCAL 104(B)(2) and the EPA Guidance on Deferral, representatives of the Natural Resources Trustee Council have conferred and reached the following consensus:

EPA and the State of Nevada have proposed deferral of the CERCLA NPL listing of the ARC Anaconda Mine site in Yerington, Nevada.

The principal items that must be addressed prior to our approval of deferral are

- a. The responsible party or parties must enter a new Tolling Agreement and grant a waiver of the statute of limitations with respect to all natural source damage claims at or arising from the Yerington Mine Site with all Trustee Council members.
- b. Provision must be provided for a commitment of continued consultation with all the Trustee Council members and their representatives.

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c. Individual Trustee Council members may have other considerations peculiar to their separate interests.

Until these items are adequately addressed, the Natural Resource Trustee Council cannot concur in the proposed deferral.

Very truly yours,

Ms. Laurie Thom

Chairman

Yerington Paiute Tribe

As Lead Administrative Trustee

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